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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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For:  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING  
BROKER SERVICE TO AUCTIONS

Enclosed are:

6 Sheets of Drawings

This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.

Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2000-273527 filed September 5, 2000.  A certified copy is attached herewith.

Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and  discussed in the specification or  attached Information Disclosure Statement.

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